

Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission Office of the Stewards

Stewards Report – 2019 Post Racing Season Delaware Park October 21, 2019 thru October 25, 2019

Monday:

Called Bessie Gruwell with questions about statistics from 2018 vs 2019. Spoke with Jim Lamborn regarding requested mutual data for 2019. Worked on my end of meet report for presentation to DTRC Commissioners. Replied to emails, telephone calls from licensees and spoke with Stewards in Maryland. Notified Anthony Russo of a Phenylbutazone positive from October 2, 2019. Signed the ruling and informed him he had until Thursday, October 24 to pay two (2) fines. One past due from September 19, 2019. > 30 days past due

Tuesday:

Finalized all documentation for the meeting with Commissioners. Signed and distributed two rulings, documentation of pending case file(s) yet to be adjudicated. Contacted two (2) licensees about a hearing for financial obligation on 10/30/19 @ 1:00 pm. Mailed, emailed both parties for notice.

Noticed of a positive test by Safety Steward Coatrieux.

Wednesday:

Noticed via Safety Steward of two (2) positive tests on 10/03/19 & 10/05/19. Trainer notification to follow.

Meeting with Commissioners in the AM, re: Personnel matters.

Notified Trainer Michael Pino of a medication positive from October 5th. Referred to his attending veterinarian for treatment records, etc. Nathan Clager DVM, returned my call and informed us that he had not prescribed or treated this horse with anything to result in a positive test.

Thursday:

Contacted two trainers about positive test results. Issued two "written" warnings as a result.

Void DTRC ruling #96-2019 in the matter of suspension of Anthony Russo's occupational license for failure to pay a fine. The original fine and a subsequent fine are paid in full.

Composed a written warning for Trainer Michael Pino for distribution.

Negotiated a financial/obligation settlement between a vendor and trainer for payment.

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Friday:

Addressed the remaining administrative rule violations; expired affidavits. Composed a cover letter for attachment to owner rulings forthcoming.

Administrative clean-up, organizing files, reports, etc.

E-mail and telephone follow up for matters relative to management questions and concerns. Determination of the status of all, with the continuation on Monday.

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